

# LSU-S Fall Enrollment Reaches 1515 Students

A total of 1515 students have enrolled at LSU-S for the 1968 fall semester. Fall registration of 1967 totaled 807 students.

Mrs. Fabia E. Thomas, LSU-S registrar, said, "Our actual enrollment of 1515 exceeded the predicted figure of 1464, but most students were able to schedule courses required by their curricula even though classes in several areas are closed."

Dean Donald E. Shipp said, "Our registration seemed to move smoothly when the number of students is considered. Because this is the first year to have both freshman and sophomore classes, we estimated wrongly the number of sections

in several courses. We are sorry that some students were inconvenienced by the changes that were necessary."

The total enrollment of 1515 includes 1015 students who are new to the LSU-S campus, 459 who are continuing their studies here, and 41 students who are reentering the University.

The academic fields of greatest interest are business administration with 333 students compared to 198 last fall; education has 234 students compared to 131 in the previous fall semester; science has 226 students as compared to 163 previously; liberal arts has 169 compared to 115 before; 171 students listed "no preference" as their major compared to 99 from last year; agriculture has 64 students compared to 36 before. Approximately 65 nursing students attend LSU-S; of these 35 are new.

An evening program was offered for the first time this

fall. More than 200 students are enrolled in evening classes. Mrs. Thomas said, "Demand for courses in the Evening Division exceeded our offerings. Several courses planned for the evening schedule were withdrawn due to budget cuts."

The student body is composed of people from many different areas of the country and the world. One student is from Japan; another is from Costa Rica; three students are from England; two are from Mexico and one is from Cuba.

A September 17 preliminary enrollment showed a total University System registration of 30,382. Alexandria enrolled 836 students. Eunice has 502 students for its second year of operation. New Orleans has an enrollment of 8,830 and Baton Rouge enrolled 18,001 students. The Medical Center has 710 students.

Mrs. Lurline Dark, counselor, said, "I am most impressed with our new freshmen and with our 'upper classmen'. We are bound to have the finest student body anywhere. The four sessions of orientation went well and I am most grateful to Gamma for their assistance. Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Tyler and others in the registrar's office deserve much credit for the planning and organization of orientation."

Serving as feature editor is Patsy Hollowell. A freshman majoring in English education, Patsy was editor of the Woodlawn Herald. Ann Landers is working as a columnist. She is a sophomore majoring in English, and served as feature editor of Little Vin, the St. Vincent school paper.

Serving as typists this year are Janet McNeice, a sophomore majoring in history education; and Sandy Bamburg, a sophomore elementary education major.

Reporters for the Almagest are John Adams, a sophomore pre-law major; Donna Jo Dawkins, a freshman majoring in journalism; Sharon Lowe, a junior journalism major; and Laura Brown, a freshman majoring in business administration.

Mr. John R. Tabor is the Almagest sponsor and also the journalism teacher.

## Ag Club Reorganizes

The first meeting of the Agriculture Club was held Friday Sept. 24 in Room 331 of the Science Building. The meeting was called by Robert Gill, president.

The first order of business was to organize a committee to write a constitution. Those appointed to the committee were Ed Littleton, chairman; Wayne Davis, Danny Sandifer and Jeff Naron.

A second committee was formed to study the costs of publishing a student directory to be sold on campus. Members named to this committee were Tommy Sallee, chairman; David Pigott, Charles Murphy and Warren Jones. Tommy Sallee was elected acting Secretary and Treasurer.

Dr. John Hall then addressed the group. He told them of his plans for the future and of the role he would play in sponsoring the club. Afterwards, the club adjourned at 12:40.



PUNCHING student identification cards during registration are Grace Copeland, Lynn Sullivan and Ronnie Edmiston, all sophomores.

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# ALMAGEST

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY IN SHREVEPORT

## Dean Predicts Added Expansion

Dean Donald Shipp labeled as idle speculation a recent newspaper report that LSU/S or Southern in Shreveport might be closed down.

Shipp was referring to a recent article in a local paper reporting that the Education Subcommittee of the State Department of Education recommended that unnecessary duplication in state supported schools be cut back.

This has been interpreted as the first step in a move to close down either LSU/S or Southern, since both schools are in Shreveport and are state supported institutions.

"I expect both colleges to continue as they now are, and that they will in the future expand their operations," said Shipp.

He continued, "Anything else is mere idle speculation by a reporter looking for a story."

Referring to expected school expansion, Shipp is "very optimistic" that the October special session of the state legislature will allocate more money for LSU at Shreveport.

Said Shipp, "This is something that has been worked on for so long by many important men in Baton Rouge. LSU/S is needed in our area, and I feel very optimistic that the legislature will recognize this need and appropriate the funds."

Dean Shipp stated that LSUS needs \$400,000. The money would be used to increase faculty salaries, buy teaching supplies and equipment, building the library's collections of books, and purchasing building and grounds equipment.

"In the area of teaching supplies and equipment, our need is most chronic in the science

area - chemistry, biology and physics. We also need more custodial and ground workers," said Shipp.

Dean Shipp said that he felt that the teaching staff was adequate since student enrollment goes down in the spring. "If we can manage this fall with the teaching staff we now have, we will be able to manage in the spring semester," he said.

"However, since we will need more advanced courses in the spring, the number of sections in first semester subjects, like

English 1A, will be reduced," Shipp said.

If the legislature does not provide the funds for LSU, Shipp said that the school will appeal for help from other sources.

"The State Board of Liquidation is an agency that aids institutions in dire financial trouble. If the legislature does not appropriate the money, we may receive up to \$100,000 from this state agency. This would be enough to keep us going, but not enough to cover our needs adequately," said Shipp.

Shipp also stated that the third parking lot built this summer and paved with asphalt, will not be recovered with concrete because of the financial problems of the school.



PRESENTING the acceptance letter from the South Shreveport Lions Club to Dr. Mary Ann McBride, Gamma Sigma Omega faculty sponsor, is Mr. Hobart Hendrix, president of the South Shreveport Lions. Looking on from left to right are Osa Longly, parliamentarian, and Betty Estes, secretary. For story see page four.



## Nixon Vs. Wallace

With all the rhetoric in this campaign under scoring the merits and demerits of Louisiana's two front runners in the Presidential Race, one important question is being overlooked. The two top candidates in our state are, of course, Richard Nixon and George Wallace. The overlooked question in the verbal storm surrounding them: Can Wallace be an effective President?

Granted, he is saying things many Southerners like to hear, and saying them well. But should he be elected President, he still will not have one supporter in the Congress of the United States, and Congress is still the law-making body. Every man elected to Congress this fall will be a Republican or a Democrat, and not one is running with, or pledged to, Wallace. Wallace cannot do anything he has promised the American people unless he can muster an impossible Congressional majority.

Nixon, on the other hand, is running with a full team of Congressional candidates, pledged to work with him to clean up the mess created by the Johnson-Humphrey administration. Nixon, an effective campaigner, is known for his broad political coattails; that is, an ability to help his party's candidates win their own elections. When he becomes President, Mr. Nixon will have a full legislative team to work with him in behalf of the nation.

Mr. Nixon is a man with whom most Southerners can work. His strong stand on law and order—a stand reinforced by his selection of Governor Spiro "Ted" Agnew as his running mate, his absolute determination to quell the riots, his declaration of war on organized crime and dope, and his belief in peace with honor in Vietnam, are all stands that deep-feeling Louisianians can applaud.

Also Nixon understands the true nature of the Communist threat to our security and way of life.

And on that most important of important decisions—the nomination of a Supreme Court Chief Justice, Mr. Nixon has declared that if it falls to him to nominate a man for that high office, he will select a strict constitutionalist. Since the man affirmed as Chief Justice may well serve 20 years (five and a half presidential terms) this one appointment will have a more far-reaching effect than any other appointment made. Mr. Nixon would appoint the sort of man most Louisiana citizens favor.

When there is a choice to be made like this one, it only makes good sense to go with the man who will be the most effective.

### LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY IN SHREVEPORT October, 1968

The schedule for SGA elections for the Fall semester of 1968-69 is as follows:

Wednesday	Nov. 6	8:00 a.m.	Begin filing for office
Friday	Nov. 8	4:00 p.m.	Deadline for filing for Office
Monday	Nov. 11		Candidates qualified by committee
Tuesday	Nov. 12		Begin campaigns
Tuesday	November 19	12 Noon	Election rallies
Friday	November 20		First Primary
Tuesday	November 22		Second Primary

Class offices to be filled are:  
Fresh-President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Representative  
Soph-President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Representative

#### QUALIFICATIONS

In order to be eligible for election to the offices of Freshman President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Representative, a student must meet the following qualifications:

1. He must be a full-time student with credit for less than 30 hours. (He must have a 2.0 average if he has college credits.)
2. He must have an overall "C plus" or better average for his entire high school career.
3. He must submit a petition signed by 40 Freshmen students prior to the close of the period of filing for office.
4. He must pass a written examination of the fundamentals of parliamentary procedure.
5. He shall not be on disciplinary, scholastic or attendance probation at the time of his nomination or election.

## ALMAGEST

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## Tara's Tidbits

Almagest staff would like to publicly welcome Mr. John Tabor, Almagest sponsor and journalism instructor.

A hearty welcome to all new faculty members and students.

Students are reminded that Oct. 11 is the last day for dropping a course without a W or WF.

A school is only as good as its student leadership. If you know someone that you think is a leader urge them to run in the SGA elections.

Guest editorials are welcomed by the newspaper staff.

Interested in Journalism, qualified as a reporter, come by Lib room 277 B and leave your name.

## Circle K Chooses Sophomore Sponsors

The 1968-69 members of Circle K, a collegiate Key club, have selected sponsors. Those chosen are Kenny Kitchens, sophomore pre-med major; Sandy Bamburg, elementary education sophomore; Janet McNeice, history education sophomore, and Stanis Snider, general circulation sophomore. The sponsors help with secretarial work and inform members of meetings.

Officers of Circle K are Eddie Grounds psychology sophomore, president; Larry Johnson sophomore in business law, vice-president; Larry Hayes sophomore in civil engineering, secretary; and Ronnie Edminston sophomore in Science, treasurer.

Circle K's plans for this year are still in the planning process, but last year the club was engaged in several projects which lead to the Club of the Month Award given by the Bulletin of Circle K International. Circle K did charity work for the Holy Angels and the Louisiana Nursing Home. They put on a show for the children at the Shriner's Hospital and donated blood to the Blood Bank. This summer Circle K sent Randy Keyes, a former LSUS freshman, and Doug Crooks, sophomore, to work on the Mexican Indian training center, which is sponsored by the club.

Other projects included membership drive and a decal and license plate sale. These items can still be purchased from Circle K members.

### Smokey Says:



In any language, Smokey's message is the same!

Dear Students:

I wish to take this opportunity to welcome you to LSU in Shreveport. We begin our second year with an enrollment of 1515 students. It is gratifying to us that such a large number of students have shown their confidence in this new campus and in the LSU System.

To our beginning freshmen we wish to emphasize our willingness to provide assistance in adjusting to college work. We have a very excellent faculty and staff that will aid you whenever you ask.

Best wishes for a successful year of college work.

Sincerely yours,  
Donald E. Shipp  
Dean



## They Laughed When He Sat Down

by: Brad Whitesides

They laughed when he sat down to play, but since the melody has begun to flow from George Wallace's political piano, the laughter has subsided to a silence that is almost deafening. For the first time in six decades, the American people have been afforded the chance to vote for a candidate for the Presidency who is not a member of the two major parties that have led our country into war four times in the last fifty years. The chance to say "no" to the policies that have taken away the individual liberties of the Democratic and Republican parties have allowed anarchists and communists to take over the streets of our nation. George Wallace will say "no" to these policies and don't let yourself be fooled, George Wallace is the only candidate who will. George Wallace is the only candidate who "tells it like it is."

Truly one of the most difficult problems which faces our country today concerns the "take-over" of our streets by those bent on destruction, the problem of law and order. It has now become a common happening to hear of the burning of entire city blocks and of wholesale looting by anarchists. George Wallace stands for law and order. The former governor advocates a tough police policy. When it is necessary, meet force with force. He stands for letting the police enforce the laws like they know how to enforce them and not have to stand by while looting takes place before their eyes. More than a year and a half ago, Mr. Wallace began his crusade for law and order. Now that the campaign has begun, however, his two opponents have also argued that we need the laws enforced. It is a strange thing to hear from the Democratic candidate, who only a year ago stated, "I, myself, would lead a revolt." It is an even stranger thing to hear from the Republican candidate, a man who openly solicits the aid of the governor of New York, who said, "Racial rioting in the United States is a sign of progress." Can we forget that the Republican candidate was a part of the administration that made Earl Warren the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court? Yes, George Wallace is the only candidate who

"tells it like it is."

For the past twelve years the American people have stood by and watched the federal government take over our local school systems. Doesn't it seem ridiculous for a child to have to be bussed to a school eighteen blocks away when there is one just two blocks from his home? Out of the three major candidates, only George Wallace feels that this is wrong. Time and time again, Mr. Wallace has stood up against the Federal encroachment of our schools. If elected, he would advocate an amendment to the Constitution vesting "absolute control" of the public schools in state and local governments and local school boards. The former governor feels that the people of Louisiana know more about their schools than do a few bureaucrats in Washington, D. C. On November 5, the people won't have to stand idly by any longer.

Throughout the campaign we have listened to the liberal press of our country refer to George Wallace as a racist. The best evidence that can be given to show the untruth in that statement is that in the last election in Alabama, his late wife received forty per cent of the Negro vote, more than any one of her opponents. And, in Selma, Alabama, the town that made news throughout the world, Mrs. Wallace received eighty five per cent of the Negro vote in that city and in that county. If that is not enough to convince the reader of the falseness of the charge of racism, let himself ask these questions. Is a man a racist because he wants his children to walk the streets in safety? Is a man a racist because he feels that a man's home is his castle? Is a man a racist because he feels that the owner of a store has the right to sell his goods to whom he wants? No, this man is not a racist; this man is an American. This man is George Wallace.

On November 5, the American people will go to the polls and have the opportunity to say "no" to the policies of the past. The American people have been sitting down too long. Now is the time to rise and be counted. Now is the time to stand up for America! Now is the time to stand up for George Corley Wallace.



## Coil's Group Tours Europe

Mrs. Marilyn Coil, English professor, "chaperoned" 40 students on a 21 day European tour this summer, beginning June 9. Miss Gail Southerland, German professor, also accompanied the tour.

Among the students were Terry Hansen, English major, Mariette Bernard, a foreign language major, and Linda Daniels, a major in personal administration, all LSU-S sophomores. The remaining students were from Texas, South Carolina, and Pennsylvania.

The group traveled through Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, France and England in that order. "We only saw one windmill," was Terry's comment about Holland. They did see the Old Jewish Quarter, The Royal Palace, Rembrandt's House and many canals in Amsterdam.

The people and cleanliness of Germany intrigued Mariette. "I think it was the nicest place because it was so clean and the people were so friendly," she said. Among other things they launched aboard The Rhine Steamer, which took them to Beethoven's House.

What would one think would be the nicest thing about Switzerland? Would the mountainous scenery possibly come to mind? That's exactly what the group from LSU-S said. A cable car took them to Mt. Pilatus where one could see the Matterhorn on a clear day. "Actually it wasn't really very cold, either," commented Mariette.

Austria provided more mountainous scenery. Venice, Florence and Rome were the stops in Italy. In spite of the romantic, and historical points of interest such as St. Mark's square, the Sistine Chapel, Medici Chapels, the Cathedral, Vatican, Panteon, Colosseum and others, the students thought the excessive amount of men and the lack of many women, to be more interesting.

They didn't leave without seeing the Italian Riviera. "The nicest thing about it, as it has a very rocky beach, was being

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**LOOKING** at the Guyton Art exhibit are student personalities Jeri Lyn Rasch, sophomore pre-med major; and Eddie Grounds, sophomore psychology major.

## Faculty Facts:

### Foreign Language and Education Department

This issue the Almagest selected new members in the Language Department and Education Department as faculty personalities.

New to the Foreign Language Department is Mrs. Sherry Calkins, instructor of Spanish, and Miss Dorothy Jane Cameron, instructor of French and English.

Mrs. Calkins received her B. A. degree in business administration from Southern State College in Magnolia, Arkansas. This brown-eyed blonde was recently married and enjoys cooking, reading, and all music except Country and Western. She is a member of Tau Beta Sigma. Of the student body of LSU-S, Mrs. Calkins makes this

statement: "They are very nice and well dressed students."

Miss Cameron did her undergraduate work at the University of Mississippi where she received her M.A.E. degree and her graduate work at the University of Alabama and received her M.A. degree. Before coming to LSU-S she taught at Meridian, Mississippi; Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi; and at the Julius T. Wright School for Girls in Mobile, Alabama.

A petite brunette from Laurel, Miss., Miss Cameron enjoys sports such as tennis, horseback riding, watching football and music. She is a member of the American Association for Teachers of French.

In one of her classes, a student wanted to know if it was a New-York accent she had.

Serving as chairman of the Education Department is Dr. Bobby E. Tabarlet. Dr. Tabarlet, who teaches Education and Psychology, received his B. A. degree in Science from University of Southwestern Louisiana in Lafayette and M.A. and Ph.D. from LSU in Baton Rouge. Before coming to LSU-S he served for ten years on the faculty of Louisiana Tech.

He is a member of the Louisiana Teachers Association, National Educators Association, Association for Student Teachers and Phi Delta Kappa, a fraternity for men in education.

In his spare time Dr. Tabarlet can be found puttering around in his garage or doing some woodwork. His talent is displayed in his office; he made his own bookcase and frames for the map and picture on the walls.

Dr. Tabarlet is interested in LSU-S faculty members; it seems that he taught quite a few of them during his teaching career at Louisiana Tech.

Also a new-comer to the campus is Mrs. Bessie Corbett. An instructor of psychology, she received her M.E.D. degree from Stephen F. Austin State College, Nacogdoches, Texas and is presently working toward her Ph.

## Student Personalities:

Jeri Lyn Rasch, a 1967 Fair Park graduate and presently a sophomore pre-med major, has developed the art of balancing

## Guyton Art Display Shown On Campus

The graphic art display by Miss Judith Guyton is currently being shown on campus and will remain on display through October.

A native of Shreveport, Miss Guyton holds a B.F.A. degree from Kansas City Art Institute and a M.F.A. degree from the Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Miss Guyton has also studied at the Pratt Graphic Workshop of New York; the Art Students League, New York; Beloit College, Beloit, Wisconsin; and the George School of Bucks County, Pennsylvania. She is currently a member of the faculty in the art department at University of Southwestern Louisiana.

She has also accomplished summer work at the Penland School of Crafts, Penland, North Carolina; the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, Maine; the American Center for Artists and Students Paris, France; the University of Hawaii; and Centary College, where she studied painting and art history with Willard Cooper.

Miss Guyton has done extensive work in lithography with Arnold Singer, textile design with Kay Lewis, drawing with Julian Levy, woodcuts with Antonio Frasconi, and relief printing with Michael Rothenstein.

work, play and responsibility. She attributes heading the Dean's list with a perfect 4.0 average to "good study habits and a good faculty."

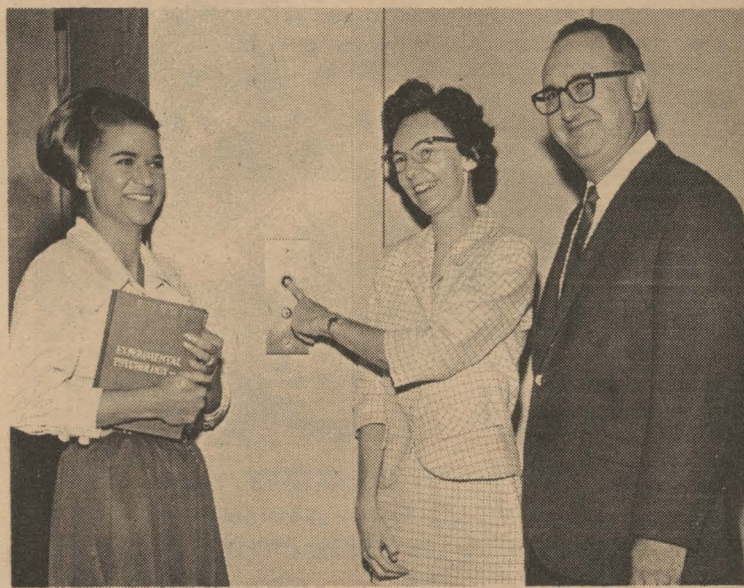
As Editor-in-Chief of Bagatelle, the LSU Yearbook, Jeri Lyn accepts the weight of responsibility. Through her position as club section editor of the 1968 Bagatelle she gained valuable experience and new ideas.

In speaking about the yearbook, she comments: "The staff is proud of LSU's first yearbook. Our publisher evaluated it as an above average book for its first publication. This year we plan to employ ideas and improvements, and to further represent the faculty and students."

For diversions, Jeri Lyn enjoys water sports, "especially waterskiing," reading the novels of Tolstoy and Dickens, and listening to the albums of Johnny Rivers, and Peter, Paul and Mary.

After her sophomore year she plans to enter Baylor or LSUNO School of Medicine. In her reflections on college, Jeri Lyn finds that "College rounds you in all spheres, in the sciences, liberal arts, and individual growth of personality."

The art achievements of Miss Buyton have also been shown at Rhode Island College, a Michigan Artists' Show at the Detroit Art Institute, The Michigan Art Association of Printmakers at Hanamuras Gallery of Detroit, The Dixie Annual Show at Montgomery, Alabama, and an individual show at the Southern Galleries of Shreveport.



**WAITING** for the elevator are Education and Psychology faculty members Mrs. Bessie Corbett, Psychology instructor; Mrs. Sandra Bowen, Health Education instructor; and Dr. Bobby Tabarlet, head of the Psychology department.

D. at East Texas Baptist College in Marshall, Texas.

Prior to her LSU-S appointment Mrs. Corbett was counselor for Harrison County in Texas.

Regarding pets, she has her own zoo consisting of a parrot, two poodles, a Siamese cat, three parakeets and an aquarium of tropical fish.

One of Mrs. Corbett's office wall is decorated with plaques of "Peanuts" cartoons. Her favorite is a picture of Snoopy lying on top of his dog house with the caption: "I think I'm allergic to morning."

She enjoys skiing, fishing and golf, and she plays the piano and the organ.

Another new member in this

department is Mrs. Sandra Bowen, health and p. e. instructor.

Mrs. Bowen received her B. S. degree from Centenary and her M.S. degree from LSU in Baton Rouge. A former teacher of Midway Junior High School, Youree Drive Junior High School and Byrd High School, she enjoys all sports.

In addition to her work, she has a two-year-old daughter and her husband, a teacher at Atkins Elementary, to keep her schedule busy at home.

Mrs. Bowen is a member of Kappa Kappa Iota, American Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, Louisiana Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation.



**DECORATING** their offices are foreign language instructors Mrs. Sherry Calkins, Spanish instructor; and Mrs. Dorothy Cameron, French instructor.



## Dr. McBride is GSO Advisor; Lions Club is Group Sponsor

The South Shreveport Lions Club formally announced its sponsorship of Gamma Sigma Omega, girls' service organization, in a letter received by Dr. Mary Ann McBride, faculty advisor.

William Borders, engineering instructor and member of the South Shreveport Lions Club, told the Gamma members about the Lions Club organization and projects at the September 17 Gamma meeting. Mr. Borders is serving as liaison between the two organizations and will attend all Gamma meetings.

Newly elected officers are Betty Estes, sophomore elementary education major, secretary; and Ona Langly, sophomore sociology major, parliamentarian. Other officers elected in the spring semester are Sandy Pruitt, sophomore psychology major, president; Sandy Bamburg, sophomore elementary education major, vice president; and Janet McNiece, sophomore history major, treasurer. New members of the Board of Directors will be elected at a later date.

Membership qualifications were discussed at the September 24 meeting. An amendment

to the constitution was passed concerning membership standards. According to the amendment in order to apply for membership the applicant must be enrolled for no less than 10 hours.

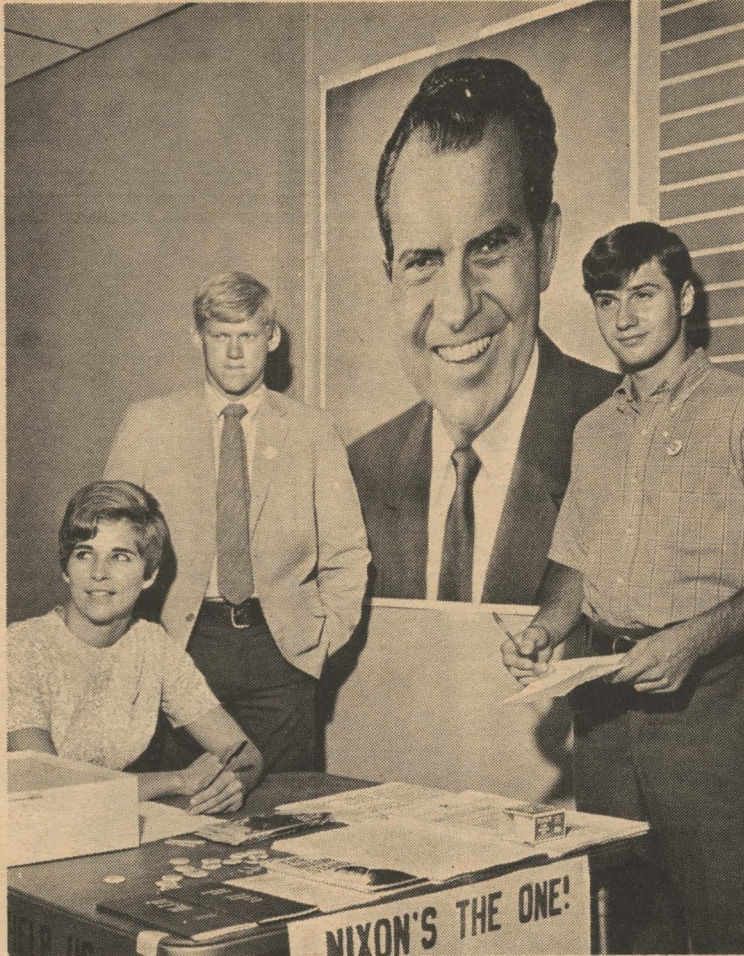
This amendment allows first semester freshmen to apply for membership. Other qualifications include the maintaining of a 2.0 average.

Application blanks will be made available to all women students during the week of October 8-15. The blanks are to be completed and returned by October 15.

All prospective members are invited to attend the meeting October 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Science Lecture Auditorium. A program is planned for the meeting. The new members will be notified later of their acceptance.

Committee chairmen include: Jacquie Hunt, calendar committee; Deborah Steinmiller, contact committee; Sandy Bamburg, program committee; Kennie Kitchens, publicity committee; and Jackie Ruff, social committee.

Dr. Mary Ann McBride, faculty sponsor, is an instructor in sophomore English. She received her BA in Speech, and her MA and PhD degrees in English from LSU.



**SIGNING UP** Young Republicans for the newly formed YR Club are Sandy Burford, secretary; Paul Nolan sophomore and Don Allen freshman.

## A LETTER HOME

Editor's note: Sophomores Lynn Sullivan, an art major, and Tara O'Brien, a journalism major, along with 18 other students attended summer school in Mexico City this summer for nine weeks. This letter does not relate all they did and saw, but it does relate life as it was for them.

Dear Mom and Dad,

Hey y'all. Just thought I'd scratch the pad a while before going to bed. It's late, but I'm not tired.

Today has been a usual one for Lynn and I if you can call any day in Mexico City "usual." We got up late again. Lynn wasn't feeling too good (a little of "Moctezuma's Revenge," I suppose) so she didn't eat much. It was just as well; the senora was out of orange juice and marmalade again. We could have had eggs, but we were in the mood for french toast.

It was raining this morning so when we finally reached the bus stop, my shoes were oozing water. And as usual, the buses were overcrowded, so we skipped the first two before catching one.

We were 25 minutes late for class, but no one said anything. Since it was raining, we didn't have classes on the patio, either.

After class we made arrangements to go with Sylvia and Marcella to the Anthropological Museum at 3:30. Then we had to rush like mad to the bank, as it was almost one o'clock, so I could cash a check. You know, all the banks close for the day at one, which makes it rough at times.

We stopped by Sears, so Lynn could buy some socks, and then we caught the bus home.

We both had letters waiting for us when we returned, so we read them while Maria prepared lunch. Lunch was a little late

today, too. We usually eat between two and three, but today it wasn't ready till 3:30.

So when Maria finally came into our rooms and said, "Ya, senortias," we were hungry enough to suffer through those horrible peas with rice.

We had lentil pea soup, which I really enjoyed, and those delicious rolls called, "bolillos." For the main course there was rice (we always have rice), bistek (their version of steak), and salad.

After that we were still hungry so we persuaded Maria to go buy some mangos, which we crave. Maria always chooses delicious mangos, too. I think mangos will be the one thing I'll miss most when I leave Mexico. Lynn and I are plotting now to sneak some through Customs on the way home. By the way, what's the penalty for that?

Fernando called me during lunch to tell me he'd pick me up around 9:30 or 10 tonight. Oh yes, we didn't go to the museum since we ate so late.

However, we did go to the supermarket to buy some post cards and stamps. We bought some ice cream cones on the way, I had mango flavor and Lynn had mamay.

On the way home we walked through the park, so I could see my little friend, Filiberto, but he wasn't there. Lynn bought some pastries at the bakery. It seems she's always eating.

Tono called her when we got home. They went out to eat tonight. Therefore she didn't have to suffer through those awful fried potato pies called "quesadillas" that Maria prepared.

I went out about ten. Now don't get shook, Mom, the evening doesn't begin in Mexico till ten.

We went dancing at the restaurant in the Continental Hilton Hotel. There was a continuous window around the wall,



**LARRY HAYES, acting secretary, and Eddie Grounds, president, display the Circle K banner at the membership booth during registration.**

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able to lie on the beach and look across the water and see the Swiss Alps," said Mariette.

Versailles, the Eiffel Tower and Napoleon's tomb were some of the stops in France. When the students were left to their own ingenuity, they headed straight to the Latin Quarter where the student riots had occurred. There they encountered students naturally, selling photographs of the riots and love beads.

The last stop was London. This was a favorite with Mrs. Coil and Terry. Terry said "I like London best; they speak English, you know." Mrs. Coil thought that the English countryside was very pretty.

In addition to visiting the well known places, they also saw two plays, "Man of La Mancha" and "Canterbury Tales." "The whole city is perfectly planned, such as the avenues.

I think it was beautiful, especially the parks and the Loures."

The group flew home from Amsterdam. The trip didn't end here though. Mrs. Coil and Miss Southerland remained in Europe for additional sightseeing. They drove through several of the countries they had seen, but spent more time in England.

Here they visited the Thomas Hardy Festival in Dorchester where "Far From the Madding Crowd" was filmed. They saw Stintford Church where Hardy's heart is buried. "The rest of him is in Westminster Abbey," laughed Mrs. Coil.

Should anyone visit the Stintford church, be sure to climb on top of the roof and look for Mrs. Coil's name. She had her name carved on one of the slate tiles for 30 cents. They also walked on the Adrian Wall. "And Miss Southerland's german was simply beautiful. She had several compliments," ex-

claimed Mrs. Coil.

Mrs. Coil will be touring Europe again next summer and is now receiving applications. The 21-day tour beginning June 7, costs \$777, which may be paid on a two year monthly basis or in full before the trip.

For more information contact Mrs. Coil, Room 216.

## YRs Elect Officers, Plan For Campaign

Dave Griffith, sophomore law major, was elected president of the campus Young Republicans Club at the September 18 meeting held at the Shreveport Republican Headquarters on Fairfield.

Tara O'Brien, sophomore journalism major, was elected corresponding secretary. She is also a member of Gamma Sigma Omega and is editor of the Almagest.

Sandy Burford, sophomore sociology major and registered Republican, was re-elected recording secretary. Club treasurer is Bob Robinson, freshman law major.

No vice-president was elected and the office will remain vacant until the next meeting of the month.

At the September 18 meeting Dave discussed the aims and activities of the club in the near future saying, "At least until November 5 we intend to coordinate our activities in an effort to assist the senior Republican Party in projects relating to their candidate, Richard M. Nixon."

Dave formerly attended the LSU Baton Rouge where he was active in the Young Republican Club. Besides his activities in the Young Republicans, he is also a member of the Biology Club.

The first project of the year was a membership drive held September 19-20. A table was set up in the Library building and refreshments were served while prospective members were interviewed. Also, a public opinion poll was taken in regard to the upcoming presidential election.

On the club calendar is a mock election to determine the consensus of the LSU-S student body in the November 5 election.

Students may still join the club by contacting an officer or another member of the club. Requirements are that students be of LSU-S and in good standing with the university. Dues are \$1.50.

and we could see all the sparkling lights of the city. It was beautiful.

Fernando was low on pesos so we didn't eat there, but instead had tacos at a little place near home. Since he has classes tomorrow, he brought me home early which brings me up to now. It's almost 2:30.

This Friday the class is taking the weekly outing to a town called Taxco. It's noted for its silver mines and its colonial look. I hope I get a charm for my bracelet.

Tomorrow after classes, Lynn and I are going to the washateria. I still have sand in my dress from swimming in Acapulco Bay last week.

In case you haven't received my last letter, the lot of us (about eight) went swimming, clothes and all, in the bay after being drenched in a rainstorm.

It was our first night in Acapulco and we were in utterly crazy spirits. This all took place at 3 a.m. I've never had so much fun!

Lynn wants to turn the light out, so I'll stop now. Oh, tell Lynn's parents, but gently, that Lynn lost her contact in Acapulco.

Write soon!

Love,

Tara

P. S. I haven't been sick since I went to Acapulco! Isn't that wonderful!